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INFO AMEMBASSY ALGIERS

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AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

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SUBJ: OIL PRICES

REF: ALGIERS 1651 (NOTAL)

1. AS THE DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, THE SHAH HAS MADE IT
ABUNDANTLY CLEAR THAT HE EXPECTS THE PRICE OF OIL TO BE
INCREASED AT THE UPCOMING SEPTEMBER OPEC MEETING. HE
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HAS ALSO SAID, AS HAVE OFFICIALS OF SEVERAL OTHER OPEC

COUNTRIES, THAT THE PRICE INCREASE WILL BE SOMETHING LESS THAN THE 30 TO 35 PERCENT LOSS IN PURCHASING POWER THEY BELIEVE THEY HAVE SUFFERED AS THE RESULT OF CONTINUING INFLATION IN THE WEST. WHILE NO SPECIFIC FIGURE HAS BEEN MENTIONED, WE HAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT AN OPEC CONSENSUS IS FORMING AROUND AN INCREASE OF \$1.50 TO \$2.00 PER BARREL.

2. IT HAS BEEN THE PRACTICE IN THE PAST AND WILL PROBABLY BE THE CASE AGAIN THAT VARIOUS OPEC COUNTRIES WILL DISCLAIM RESPONSIBILITY FOR WHATEVER PRICE INCREASE IS ACTUALLY SET AND ARGUE THAT THEY WERE FORCED INTO AGREEING TO SOME INCREASE BY MORE EXTREME MEMBERS OF OPEC. NO DOUBT THERE ARE DIFFERING VIEWS AND POSITIONS TAKEN BY INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS IN OPEC DELIBERATIONS. THE PRINCIPAL POINT TO KEEP IN MIND, HOWEVER, IS THAT ALL OPEC DECISIONS ARE UNANIMOUS AND THAT NO OPEC COUNTRY IS OBLIGED TO ACCEPT A DECISION IT DOES NOT CONSIDER TO BE IN ITS INTEREST. THEREFORE HOW THE POSITION OF ONE OPEC COUNTRY OR ANOTHER MAY IN FACT INFLUENCE THE ULTIMATE OUTCOME OF OPEC DELIBERATIONS, SEEMS TO BE OF LITTLE CONSEQUENCE.
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